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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hiroyuki KAWAMOTO, et al.

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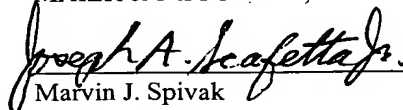
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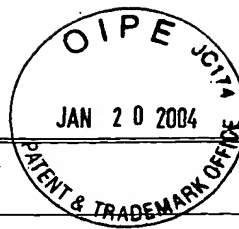
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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

Reference AO (JP 2000-32241) on Form PTO 1449 is discussed in the specification.

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	AO	2000-32241	01/28/2000	JAPAN (with English Abstract)		X
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OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

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LIST OF RELATED CASES

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*Present Application; listed for information

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